



State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF OIL, GAS AND MINING

INSPECTION REPORT

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Partial: XXX Complete: Exploration:
Inspection Date & Time: 8/10/99 / 2:00p.m.-7:30p.m.
Date of Last Inspection: 7/14/99

Mine Name: Hidden Valley Mine County: Emery Permit Number: ACT/015/007
Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Consolidation Coal Company
Business Address: P.O. Box 566, Sesser, Illinois 62884
Type of Mining Activity: Underground XXX Surface Prep. Plant Other
Company Official(s): Steve Behling Federal Official(s): Bob Postel, Irv Barcharger
State Officials(s): Bill Malencik, Paul Baker, Bob Davidson
Weather Conditions: High intensity storm took place while inspection was underway
Existing Acreage: Permitted- 950 Disturbed- 7 Regraded- Seeded- Bonded- 7
Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
Status: Exploration/ XXX Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
Reclamation (Phase I/ Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability 1986 Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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PERMIT NUMBER: ACT/015/007

DATE OF INSPECTION: 8/10/99

(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

GENERAL COMMENTS

A partial inspection of the Hidden Valley reclaimed mine site was completed on 8/10/99. Personnel from the Division and OSM accompanied Mr. Behling, permittee, on the instant inspection.

SUMMARY

No violations were issued. The environmental control measures appear to meet the coal rule performance; however one silt fence overtopped. I did not consider this a violation because the contour furrows provided primary treatment. However, the silt fence will have to be maintained.

4A. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: DIVERSIONS

The diversions were stable and showed no evidence even though our group was caught in a high intensity storm. The diversions repaired last fall were effective. Some fine material from the escarpment is being deposited in the diversion, but doesn't constitute a concern at this point in time.

4D. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE: WATER MONITORING

The MRP requires water monitoring at high and low flow. The sampling on Ivie Creek above and below the mine are to be taken in May and September. The last sampling was taken May 1999.

8. NONCOAL WASTE

The noncoal waste on the surface is not a problem. The exception is at the end of the county road. However, no noncoal waste, pop cans, etc. were observed during the instant inspection.

12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING

As previously documented in prior inspection reports, the "B" seam was regraded in 1997 and seeded. Neither the "B" seam nor the "A" seam discharged into Ivie Creek during the storm event.

13. REVEGETATION

Seedlings we observed from last years rehabilitation efforts. The seedlings are most numerous in the regraded depression areas. See Susan White's technical report that is made an official part of the instant inspection.

21. BONDING AND INSURANCE

Insurance expires 11/5/99. The surety bond is on records for \$90,758.00 and no bond release has been approved by the Division.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Tim Kirschbaum (Consol) Henry Austin (OSM)

Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM) Filed to: Price Field Office

Date: August 17, 1999

Inspector's Signature:  #26
Wm. J. Malencik